

SOUHEGAN TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes

July 30, 2004
NH Department of Environmental Services
Auditorium
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Members Present:

Dr. Kenneth D. Kimball, Chair Alden Greenwood William C. Ingham James MacCartney Dr. Brian R. Mrazik Douglas Bechtel Vernon B. Lang Ralph W. Abele Representative Richard T. Cooney

Members Absent:

John R. Nelson Carl Paulsen Senator Russell E. Prescott Thomas Roy, Vice Chair Donald L. Ware

Others Present:

Hugh Barrette
Peter de Bruyn Kops
Michael Giaimo
Michelle Hamm
George May
Spencer C. Brookes
Angela Rapp
William Hewe

Peggy Miller
Jack Donohue
Rep. Judith Spang
Margaret Watkins
Mark Wamser
Debby Hinman
Tom Neforas

DES Staff Present:

Wayne Ives, Instream Flow Coordinator Steve Couture, Rivers Coordinator, DES Paul Currier, Administrator, Watershed Management Bureau Rick Chormann, Water Supply Engineering Harry Stewart, Director, Water Division Ken Edwardson, Watershed Management Bureau Pierce Rigrod, Waste Management Division Bobbi Benedict, Admin. Asst., Water Division

Presenters:

Thomas Ballestero, University of New Hampshire Jennifer Jones, University of New Hampshire Piotr Parasiewicz, University of Massachusetts Don Kretchmer, Normandeau Associates Lee Carbonneau, Normandeau Associates **9:30 - 9:35** Dr. Kenneth Kimball, Chairman of the Souhegan Technical Review Committee, called the meeting to order.

Acceptance of May 4, 2004 Minutes

Mr. MacCartney made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 4, 2004 meeting as presented. Representative Cooney seconded the motion and it was unanimously voted.

9:35 - 11:30 UNH Presentation

A preliminary review draft report "Instream Protected Uses, Outstanding Characteristics, and Resources of the Souhegan River and Proposed Protective Flow Measures for Flow Dependent Resources" was distributed prior to the meeting and is available on the UNH and DES websites (http://www.unh.edu/erg/souhegan/ and http://www.des.state.nh.us/rivers/instream/souhegan.asp?link=meetings&meet=trc). Consultants Thomas Ballestero and Jennifer Jacobs from the University of New Hampshire; Piotr Parasiewicz from the University of Massachusetts; and Don Kretchmer and Lee Carbonneau from Normandeau Associates discussed proposed instream flow assessment methodologies. Mr. Ballestero solicited comments from the TRC particularly in regard to identification of IPUOCRs, instream flow dependency and proposed water management methods.

Comment Period

Dr. Kimball stated that all comments should be made by August 13, 2004 in writing to the Department of Environmental Services, attn: Marie Loskamp, Executive Secretary, Watershed Management Bureau, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301; e-mail mloskamp@des.state.nh.us.

Next Meeting

Chairman Kimball will coordinate a meeting date with Wayne Ives once the consultants' draft report on instream flow assessments is available. Dr. Kimball anticipates that this will be in the spring of 2005.

Meeting Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.

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